

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1 following the title, please insert:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation under 35 U.S.C. § 365(c) and 35 U.S.C. § 120 of international application PCT/EP02/08746, filed August 6, 2002. This application also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of DE 101 38 862.4, filed August 8, 2001, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

On page 2 between lines 8 and 9, please insert the heading --DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--.

On page 7, line 1 replace "CLAIMS" with --What is claimed:--.